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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:**

M. ALIZON et al.

Application No.: 09/988,213

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For: Nucleic Acids Containing the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 2 (HIV-2) Pol Gene And A Method for Producing a Polypeptide Encoded By The Nucleic Acids  
(Amended Title)

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**Sir:**

## SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please delete the current title:

**"Cloned DNA Sequences Related To The Entire Genomic RNA Of Human Immunodeficiency Virus II (HIV-2), Polypeptides Encoded By These DNA Sequences And Use Of These DNA Clones And Polypeptides In Diagnostic Kits"**

and insert therefore the new title

**--Nucleic Acids Containing the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 2 (HIV-2) Pol Gene And A Method for Producing a Polypeptide Encoded By The Nucleic Acids--.**